Georgetown City Council Meeting May 12, 2014 6:00 pm

The meeting of the Georgetown City Council was called to order by Mayor Everette Varney, with all members present. After a moment of silence Councilmember Thompson led the pledge.

1. Minutes

A motion was made by Councilmember Tackett and seconded by Councilmember Thompson to approve the minutes from the City Council meeting held April 28, 2014. **The motion was unanimously approved**.

2. Acknowledgement Receipt of Check Register

Mayor Varney requested that council acknowledge receipt of the check register. Council members all acknowledged such receipt.

3. Public Concerns

- a) David Quick, Georgetown Main Street Director, requested permission to close Water Street between Main and Clinton Streets on June 28th from 1:00 PM to 8:00 PM for the Taste of Georgetown. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Tackett and seconded by Councilmember Singer. The motion was unanimously approved.
- b) Barbara Combs, speaking on behalf of the Cherry Blossom HOA, stated that in August of 2009 the developers of the subdivision had given \$100,000.00 to the city for the purpose of calming traffic in the area and not to complete Ikebana Path.
- c) Polly Singer believes that the bond ordinance for the police station should be passed. The current facility which she recently toured is too small for the current staff.
- d) Christopher Alcorn a member of the Boy Scouts of America, thanked Megan Miller Director of Human Resources and Councilmember Connie Tackett for helping to complete a project. Christopher interviewed Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Tackett about the recent municipal order that was passed concerning zero tolerance for drugs in the work place.
- e) Stephen Price expressed his concern and disappointment about the future of the buildings on Broadway and Washington Street.
- f) Missy Winchell, a local realtor believes that Ikebana Path should be completed.

4. Ikebana

A motion made by Councilmember Singer and seconded by Councilmember Lusby for the City of Georgetown to complete Ikebana Path with the \$100,000.00 given to the city for that purpose by C.J. May with the stipulation that the street be dedicated as a city street and any funds remaining after the completion to be kept by the city. **The motion passed 7-1 Brad Penn voting no.**

5. Mayor

- a) The Mayor and Chief Bosse congratulated Ben Monroe for becoming the Chaplain of the Police Department.
- b) Mr. Bryant, representing the Council for the Arts, requested \$5000.00 to help fund the 4th of July fireworks display. A motion to donate \$5000.00 from the Mayor's public relations account was made by Councilmember McEuen and seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The motion was unanimously approved.
- c) Mayor Varney asked council to consider hiring someone to help with code enforcement. The Mayor's office receives a number of code enforcement complaints each day.
- d) Super Recycling Day will be Saturday May 17th from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Toyota.

6. City Attorney/City Clerk

- a) Resolution approving interlocal agreement for purchase of properties on Broadway and Washington Street. A motion for approval was made by Councilmember Tackett and seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The motion was unanimously approved.
- b) Resolution approving prospective location of radio tower antenna. A motion to have City Attorney Andrew Hartley collect more information about the tower was made by Councilmember Tingle-Sames and seconded by Councilmember Thompson. The motion was unanimously approved.

7. GMWSS

Robert Wilhite, Director of GMWSS, presented the 2015 budget. A motion for approval was made by Councilmember Thompson and seconded by Councilmember McEuen. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

8. Finance

Mayor Varney presented the proposed fiscal year 2015 budget.

9. Planning and Zoning

Second reading of an ordinance amending subdivision regulations for preliminary plats and plans. A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Tackett and seconded by Councilmember Penn. **The motion passed 8-0.**

10. Council Comments

Councilmember Tingle-Sames asked about potholes being repaired. City Engineer Kyle Goodwin stated the hotbox recently purchased by Public works was being used to fill request throughout the city. Councilmember Singer asked how the filling of potholes was determined. Mr. Goodwin said it is best to report holes to Public Work. Mr. Goodwin is currently assessing all streets in the city to determine which will be paved this year.

Councilmember Lusby asked about the deterioration of the center lane on Cherry Blossom. The State is responsible for this road.

Councilmember McEuen inquired about the process of demolishing burned buildings with Waste Services of the Bluegrass. Mr. Hartley calls and reports what the city would like to have demolished and Waste Service hires a third party to complete the demolition. Initially homeowners are notified and asked to take care of property. If the homeowner does not respond to the request the property is abated.

Councilmember McEuen suggested the city add to the remaining \$20,000.00 left on the White Oak contract to bring the Center of Town back to code.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Tingle-Sames and seconded by Councilmember Thompson.

APPROVED

Everette Varney, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

Tragie Hoffman, City Clerk-Treasurer